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## ***MAYOR HEALY: POBA APPROVES AGREEMENT WITH CITY TO AVERT LAYOFF OF 82 OFFICERS Municipal Council Still Needs to Approve Agreement***

JERSEY CITY – Mayor Jerramiah T. Healy announced today that the **Jersey City Police Officers Benevolent Association** approved by a 341 to 164 vote an agreement with the city administration that would avert the scheduled layoff of 82 police officers.

“We are happy that the officers voted in favor of this important agreement, that will not only avert the layoff of 82 young officers, but that will also bring some modicum of relief to the taxpayers of Jersey City during this New Great Depression,” said **Mayor Healy**. “Many cities around the state and the nation have been forced to layoff much needed police personnel, but in Jersey City, we have been working tirelessly with the leaders of the police union to chart a different course for our city and our police department.”

“However, this agreement still has to be approved by the City Council, which I am more than confident that they will approve,” said **Mayor Healy**. “We also want to thank the union leadership for their efforts in these long and sometimes difficult negotiations and we also want to thank the men and women of the Jersey City Police Department for not only supporting this agreement, but for the important work they do every day to keep our city safe.”

The vote was held on Wednesday from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. and followed a vote last week by the POBA executive board which approved bringing the agreement to a vote by the full membership.

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